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News

by Robert N. Taylor

New Urban League  
Director minimizes  
white racism

In a speech welcomed by some and viewed with skepticism by others, the new director of the National Urban League minimized the significance of racism as a factor in the lives of African Americans. Hugh P. Price acknowledged that racism "is still a well documented and undeniable reality." But he added, "We must not let ourselves, and especially our children, fall into the paranoid trap of thinking that racism accounts for all that plagues us." Price saw the chief culprit as "intense racial economic competition" throughout the world. The 52-year-old former vice president of the Rockefeller Foundation also appeared to rebuff black leaders such as Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan and NAACP head Benjamin Chavis when it singled out Jews for praise calling them "long standing friends" of black people. Price called on middle income blacks to contribute \$500 to \$1,000 to a special fund which would be used to aid blacks in the inner city.—INDIANAPOLIS

## Chavis Denies Allegations

NAACP executive director Benjamin F. Chavis Jr., has denied allegations of sexual harassment made by a former administrative assistant, saying that he entered into a private financial settlement with the woman to shield the 65-year-old civil rights organization from "false and slanderous allegations." The ex-worker, Mary E. Stansel, filed suit in June claiming that Chavis and the NAACP failed to comply with a settlement reached last November in which she was to receive as much as \$330,000 in return for not filing a sexual harassment and discrimination complaint. Chavis denied "all allegations set forth in the lawsuit. Any allegations of sexual harassment are particularly disturbing, given my strong opposition to and long history of defending victims of racial and sexual discrimination... and we believe we will fully vindicate the false allegations." In her lawsuit, Stansel said that under the terms of the settlement she was to receive \$50,000 in two installments, followed by \$5,400 monthly for six months. Chavis was to help her find a job and if she did not have an acceptable job offer after six months, she would receive an additional \$250,000 from the NAACP. As of June 30th, Stansel has been sent \$82,400, of that amount, \$64,000 came from NAACP funds and the rest, \$18,400 was from "friends of the organization," say organization officials. (Continued on page 3)



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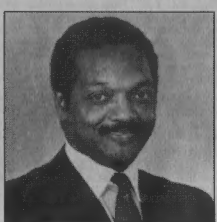
President Clinton pitches health  
care reform in Jersey City

by Paul Joseph

Jackson calls for direct  
action against media

LOS ANGELES—Reverend Jesse L. Jackson recently led the newly-formed Rainbow Commission on Fairness in the Media in a discussion of direct action strategies to win greater access, equity and empowerment for minorities and women and combat institutional racism in the multi-billion dollar news and entertainment industries.

Rev. Jackson said, "The mass media should look like the face of America. When I see an ad promoting ABC News showing Cookie Roberts, Sam Donaldson, Peter Jennings, Barbara Walters, Hugh Downs, George Will and Ted Koppel with the slogan 'Air Supremacy,' I know that's not representative of America. Air Supremacy in the form of all white news anchors and Sunday morning news shows does not reflect the best of America as it ought to be."



Recent cancellations of *ROC*, *South Central*, *Sinbad*, *The Arsenio Hall Show* and *In Living Color* leaves fewer outlets for talented African Americans to write, produce, direct and act within the entertainment industry. Moreover, many of these shows will be particularly missed because they presented positive role models and multifaceted portrayals of the African American community.

Discussion at the Monday meeting will focus on how the community can be mobilized to protect the cancellation of these shows and to demand that the Fox Network and other outlets examine its dual standards of support for white-oriented programming versus African American programming relative to promotion and prominence. Fairness and equity for African Americans and other minorities within the television and entertainment industries. (Continued on page 10)

James outraged at  
state aid reductions

NEWARK—Mayor Sharpe James recently stated he was confused and outraged by "the catastrophe, decrease" in state municipal funding for the City of Newark. The city was expected to receive around \$15 million this year in municipal revitalization aid, just as it had in 1993. However, recent reports from the state indicated that Newark should receive \$6 million this fiscal year.

In a letter to James Derman, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA), Mayor James wrote:

"This proposed budgetary move will undoubtedly hurt the already overburdened property owners of New Jersey's largest municipality who will be forced to pay the difference in real estate taxes."

"I am baffled by the rationale behind this huge cut in aid and frightened by the terrible message it sends. My administration has worked diligently to go from a deficit just two years ago to a modest surplus this year."

However, the Newark Municipal Council recently approved a resolution that will allow the city to apply for a waiver on the state cap regulating annual spending. City officials said the waiver is necessary to help

of Congress that you will support them" by writing letters to their representative in favor of reforms.

"This decision no longer rests in my hands alone. Don't let the fearmongers, don't let the dividers, and don't let the people who disseminate false information frighten the United States Congress into walking away from the opportunity of a lifetime," Clinton said.

Noting several hecklers and anti reformists, the President went on the defense. He asked his opponents to explain why several

competing nations cover their people and the United States could not. He said in New Jersey over one million people alone did not have proper medical coverage and the state has seen a 50 percent increase in the past five years for individuals without health insurance.

"I have given you my answer. Let's ask the American people to give health care coverage to everybody," he said.

Spotting a woman holding a sign saying "socialized medicine," the President laughed. (Continued on page 6)

Kean College  
President resigns

by Paul Joseph

Kean College President Elsa Gomez who was accused of not speaking out when the invited controversial Nation of Islam spokesman Kallid Abdul Muhammad addressed interested students last year, announced her resignation effective June 30, 1995.

Gomez, the first Hispanic female presi-

dent of a four-year college in the country and Kean's 15th president, released a statement stating that she feels a great sense of accomplishment and satisfaction as she begins her sixth year as president. She noted improvements in academic affairs, enrollment management and facilities planning as part of her successes.

Gomez added the early announcement "will enable the Board of Trustees to conduct a presidential search while I continued to manage the daily operations of the college. She said that she will take a year sabbatical and will return to Kean as a professor in the Department of Foreign Language Literature and Culture."

Larry Lockhart, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, said the Board appreciates her resignation with regrets. "The Board has been pleased with the progress the college has made under the leadership of President Gomez," he said. "The president and her trustees are aware of the many changes in higher education in New Jersey during the coming year and agree that this is an opportune time for a change in campus leadership."



Elsa Gomez

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NAACP vows to fight weakened blacks' voting  
power following Shaw vs. Reno ruling

CHICAGO—The NAACP's 85th Annual Convention has vowed to fight the weakening of African American voting power that could result from the Supreme Court's landmark 1993 decision of *Shaw vs. Reno*, which found racial redistricting to be unconstitutional.

The ruling concerned the legality of two predominantly black North Carolina congressional districts that had been shaped to grant more blacks voting power.

The existence of such "minority-majority" voting districts had been credited with greatly assisting the expanded numbers of black elected officials currently serving in Congress. That numbers grew from 22 to 40 during the congressional elections in 1992.

Retired Chief Justice Emeritus of the U.S. Court of Appeals, A. Leon Higginbotham Jr., warned of the dangers of the *Shaw vs. Reno* decision at a pre-convention luncheon meeting sponsored here for delegates by Philip Morris Companies Inc.

Later, during the Convention's Voting Rights Seminar, Dr. Benjamin F. Chavis Jr., NAACP executive director and CEO said, "The NAACP considers *Shaw vs. Reno* to be a real emergency. We must organize a nationwide battle so that this case will not negate our political gains."

Chavis announced an NAACP resolution calling for NAACP members to initiate "town

hall" meetings and public demonstrations in states affected by the ruling and to state aggressive advocacy techniques in the legislatures of those same states. Chavis encouraged every NAACP delegate to carry the message back to their local communities.

Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc., pointed out during the seminar that the Voting Rights Act of 1965 was "the most significant piece of legislation that black Americans have ever achieved throughout history. This is democracy—unless we can play a role at the polls, nothing else matters."

Commenting on the spirited convention discussions, George L. Knox, III, vice president, public affairs, Philip Morris Companies Inc., said, "For many years Philip Morris has embraced the concept that all Americans should have full participation in the day-to-day life of this country, particularly the democratic process. So we were delighted to associate ourselves with a convention event that analyzed today's trends and today's challenges in this area."

Earlier, during his luncheon address and quoting from his forthcoming article in *Forbes* magazine, Judge Higginbotham said, "Shaw is fundamentally flawed. The decision, at least in part, is premised on the notion that irregularly shaped, minority-majority congressional districts are somehow akin to apartheid and segregation. But apartheid and segregation are invidious policies

intended, at bottom, to exclude citizens from civic life because of their race."

Currently a professor at Harvard and of Counsel to Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton and Garrison, a New York, Washington and international law firm, Higginbotham said: "Minority-majority districts, intended to include racial minorities into the politics from their minority for so long locked out, are neither similar nor analogous to apartheid or segregation. Shaw's misguided suggestion otherwise limits the legitimacy of this decision. While dramatic changes have been made since the anti-bellum period and by the 1965 Voting Rights Act, the record still establishes that there are significant vestiges of the history of racial discrimination that plague America and cause a dilution of the effectiveness of the African American vote in some communities. The Supreme Court and lawyers must deal with this important unfinished task."

The Judge also pointed out that it was Justice Clarence Thomas who cast the deciding vote in *Shaw vs. Reno*. MacGibbin called "disheartening."

Lawsuits challenging the districts represented by African American members of Congress have been filed in five Southern states: Texas, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina and Louisiana. The NAACP Legal Defense Fund is attempting to intervene in four of the five cases.

State keeps control of  
Jersey City Schools

by Paul Joseph

The state Board of Education has voted unanimously to keep control of the Jersey City school district despite significant progress.

In a report, Education Commissioner Leo Klagholz said that the district has yet to meet standards in financing, attendance, basic skills testing and affirmative action. He noted that the Jersey City school system has adopted structural and curricular reforms in the past five years but said that monitoring would determine the success rate of these changes. "Although much has been accomplished in Jersey City, there is more to be done," Klagholz said. "Valuable lessons have been learned from evaluating this first state-operated district."

He said that he could not recommend return to local control based on their compliance with all state standards required for certification. He also stated that the takeover law prevents him from relinquishing control until all the standards are met.

Klagholz added that the school district has not been "comprehensively" monitored which also prevents the granting of certification. Following his comments the Board voted unanimously to keep control.

The Jersey City school system has been under State control since October 1989. It

was the first to be take-over when the enactment of the law which grants the State authority to seize control of local districts which have repeatedly failed to meet state requirements, followed by the *Patterson* school district.

However, the law contains several holes which makes unclear just how the State should return local control. The State Board of Ed-

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ucation is studying concepts for withdrawals and may recommend changes to the law.

For instance, the State does not have authority to move in and take-over a district that has failed to meet requirements. The State must show that the district is unable or unwilling to meet standards within a set time period. Once in control, the commissioner may not return control until all of the standards are met even if he finds that the district

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## Community Calendar

**NEWARK**—The Urban League of Essex County Preschool and Kindergarten has 10 openings for parents in need of quality child care for 2 1/2 to 5 years old. For more info call 201-733-9313.

### THRU SEPTEMBER 4

**TRENTON**—The New Jersey State Museum will have American bird figures by English artist Dorothy Dougherty on exhibit. For more info call 609-232-6306.

### MONDAYS, THRU AUGUST 15

**WESTFIELD**—Women for Women of Union County has moved to the Westfield Presbyterian Church on Mountain Ave. They still host a weekly summer drop in program which is a self help group for women to share feelings and gain support. For more info call 908-233-5787.

**PLAINFIELD**—Literary Volunteers of America will host a workshop entitled "English as a Second Language at the Public Library. All sessions are on second Mondays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. 908-755-7598.

**WEST NEW YORK**—Hudson County Community College offers counseling for new students who wish to apply for admission or need information for the fall semester from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more info call 201-714-5993.

### SATURDAYS, STARTS AUGUST 13

**NORTH PLAINFIELD**—Members of the New Jersey Chapter of American Sewing Guild will present four free seminars at Fabric Land on Rt. 22 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. For more info, call 908-755-4700.

### NOW THRU AUGUST 14

**NEW YORK**—The Aquarium for Wildlife Conservation celebrates beluga whales with live entertainment and participatory activities from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more info contact Fran Hackett 718-265-3426.

### NOW THRU AUGUST 20

**JERSEY CITY**—The Jersey City Museum features Passages in Sculpture: Six Sculptors displaying 24 sculpture creations. For more info call 201-547-4378.

### WEDNESDAYS, THRU AUGUST 31

**UNION COUNTY**—The 1994 Summer Arts Festival will be held again this year at Echo Lake Park on the Westfield.

**Mountainide border**—Held every Wednesday 7-9:30 p.m. The schedule is filled with a wide array of music to fit most tastes. For more info call 908-527-4800. Bring a chair or a blanket. FREE

**SATURDAYS, THRU SEPTEMBER 17**  
**PLAINFIELD**—Literary Volunteers of America will host Basic Reading/Tutor Training Workshop at Plainfield Public Library from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more info call 908-755-7598.

**PLAINFIELD**—The Central Jersey Chamber of Commerce will host the 31st Annual "Festival of Art" at Library Park in historic Van Wyck Brooks District from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Artists wanting to exhibit must pre-register. For more info contact the Chamber at 908-754-7250.

### AUGUST 15-18

**NEWARK**—The Newark Division of Recreation and Cultural Affairs Division will hold its playoffs for its Summer Basketball League at the John F. Kennedy Center.

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 16

**EAST ORANGE**—Summer in the City continues with a Caribbean Expo at 9 p.m. at the East Orange High School Gymnasium. For more info call 908-514-7712 or TTY-NJ Relay 1-800-7897.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

**EAST ORANGE**—Caribbean Carnival from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. at Elmwood Park. For more info call 201-266-5147/6172 or TTY-NJ Relay 1-800-7897.

**NEWARK**—The Newark Festival of People celebrates its tenth anniversary from noon to 7 p.m. at Military Park. Local rap artists will be offered the opportunity to perform original works free of profanity and having a positive message. To make a contribution or for more info call 201-824-4527.

### AUGUST 20-29

**NEWARK**—SHARE New Jersey will be distributing food to enrolled participants. Anyone interested in participating in the food distribution must register before Aug. 15. For more info 1-800-213-2769 or 201-344-2400.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

**JERSEY CITY**—The Jersey City Museum features an exhibit opening of oil paintings and pencil sketches. For more info call 201-547-4378.

## Brand New Day breaks ground



Joining Brand New Day, Inc. in breaking ground for Broadway Apartments being built in Elizabethport are (L-R): Jumilish S. Abdul-Basit, director of the Elizabeth Home Improvement Program; Elizabeth's Mayor J. Christian Bollwage; Assistant Vice President James M. Nigro and Vice President Louise C. Hall of Summit Bank; The Reverend Joseph H. Garlin, vice president, Brand New Day, Inc. and Anthony Cancro, Director, NJ Department of Community Affairs, Division of Housing.



**NEWARK**—Midantic National Bank recently contributed \$1,000 to Seton Hall University's Project 2000. Project 2000 trains adult male volunteers, particularly African American men, to serve as teacher assistants in kindergarten through third grade classrooms. The goal of the program is to expose inner city African American boys to positive adult male role models in their daily school lives. Teacher assistants typically volunteer one-half day per week and assist teachers with a variety of tasks while giving students personal attention. Volunteers come from all occupational levels. Midantic National Bank has supported Project 2000 for four years. (L-R) Joseph Mares, manager of Midantic's Park Plaza branch in Ivon Creagh, assistant branch manager and Al Bundy, director of Seton Hall's Project 2000.

## Coping

by Dr. Charles Faulkner

### How to make your partner fall in love with you

Do you want to make your girlfriend or boyfriend fall in love with you? Your wife or husband, too? It can be done with the right amount of charm and tricks. Let me give you a little interesting background information.

I recently saw a mother soothe and caress her infant baby when the baby started to cry uncontrollably, as a big dog approached. I observed closely as the mother held the baby close to her body, gently rubbed its back, whispered soft, soothing words of reassurance, gently kissed its forehead, and softly wiped tears from its eyes. I have also seen fathers do the same thing as a way of offering their infants reassurance.

Our parents spent many of our formative years reassuring us in much the same way that this mother did. This expression of love was eagerly anticipated. We even cried in order to receive our mothers to "baby" us. And when she did, we snuggled close as we could get to her and released a few soft tears. Now all was well. We were comfortable, calm and reassured. We love our parents now because of the love they expressed for us as infants. This expression of love made us feel wanted and important. It made us feel like "somebody." It made us understand what it meant to be loved.

That, of course, was the way things were, then. That was for babies only. Or so we think. Few of us would be willing to admit that we yearn for the same expression of love from our girlfriend, boyfriend, wife or husband. But since we have labeled that behavior as meant for babies only, we would never reveal to our mate that we would do anything to be "babied," right now. Deep down, inside of each of us is the need to be caressed, gently massaged, soothingly spoken to in a soft voice and reassured. How would you feel, if your mate regularly expressed love for you in this manner? Would it make you fall deeply in love? Try the truth now. Would it make you want to return the same thing to your partner? Be honest. Would it bring gentle tears to your eyes? Don't be afraid to admit it, because your mate feels the same way that you do.

What we received from our parents, when we were infants, were lessons in how to love and be loved. Though we are now adults, those feelings and needs remain with us. The trouble is that we are reluctant to admit this to our mate, even though the mate, who is a normal human being, has the same needs that we have. We have incorrectly limited that behavior to infants, when we know that we want to be loved, now, in the same way that we were loved as little children. Unfortunately, we think that other people would think that we were children, if we let them know how we feel. They feel the same way that you do, but they are afraid to tell you.

Look at any couple that is deeply in love and you will see what I mean. They hug, caress, kiss and talk to each other just like two little children. It's beautiful, you should try it. The trick is to be gentle and to always be concerned about how your behavior affects your mate.

So, what is the big secret that I am going to reveal to you? You just read it. Try it. You'll like it. Show this column to your mate. Then discuss it.

If you would like to contact Dr. Faulkner, you may write him at: P.O. Box 1774 Plainfield, NJ 07061.

**UNION COUNTY**—Several Union County government employees were honored at the first Union County Employees Service Anniversary Program held recently at Union County College in Elizabeth.

The event was held to recognize employees with 25 years or more of service to the county. Individuals celebrating their 25th anniversary in the second half of the year will be honored this fall. Honorees included: Marjorie Johnson, and Mabel Sturtevant-Kato for 25 years of service; Telegraf McCauley for 26 years; Brenda Melton and Roberta Penn for 27 years; James Abney for 28 years; Gladys Sadler for 31 years; and Otis Darby and Robert MacConnell for 35 years and pictured above Walter McLeod (r) and Patrick Gilette (l) for 40 years of service.

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gals who refuse to name those parties. Documents filed by Stansel do not say what is supposed to have occurred during her month-long employment with Chavis. NAACP officials say they fulfilled their obligations to help Stansel find a job, but that she proved unqualified for the kind of employment she was seeking.

### Farrakhan continues national self-sufficiency tour

Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan last week encouraged over 2,000 black women to focus more time and attention on raising stable, healthy children and building strong families than on building personal careers at the Mason Cathedral Church of God in Christ. Farrakhan also displayed the conservative side of the Nation of Islam when he repeated his opposition to abortion and called on black women to avoid going on welfare and not to wear short skirts. —BOSTON

### Robin Givens takes it all off for Playboy

Actress Robin Givens has become the latest in a series of Hollywood stars to do a nude pictorial for Playboy Magazine. Givens, ex-wife of imprisoned boxer Mike Tyson, appears in the magazine's September issue. The pictorial is done mostly in black and white and is fairly revealing. —LOS ANGELES

### Court again rejects district created to help blacks

For the second time in less than a year, a federal court in Louisiana has rejected the lines of a congressional district designed to create a black majority. Instead, the court itself drew a district which is now only 30% black. That decision leaves the state with only one majority black congressional district. The decision reflects the repercussions from a 1993 U.S. Supreme Court ruling which opened the door for challenges to oddly shaped districts which had been drawn up to increase the likelihood that more minorities would be elected to the U.S. Congress. The Clinton Justice department said it may challenge the court decision. Civil Rights Division head Deval Patrick said, "The court has retreated from history, reality and law." —NEW ORLEANS

### Simpson's team to add more black lawyers

NNPA's Los Angeles-based courtroom reporter, Dennis Schatzman reports that African American criminal defense lawyer Johnnie Cochran, now firmly a part of the O.J. Simpson defense team, says that he is making arrangements to bring two other black trial attorneys, Carl Jones and Edl O. Faal, onto the team. During a recess in courtroom proceedings, Cochran, who defended Michael Jackson recently, told Los Angeles Sentinel reporter Schatzman that he had already brought two of his black associates, Carl Douglas and Shawn Chapman, into the fold. Cochran said that Chapman, a former public defender, "is well versed" on death penalty issues. Douglas, who often acts as co-counsel with Cochran on many cases, "is an all-around, supremely confident attorney." Cochran also told Schatzman that a black investigator will be added to the team. Simpson's initial decision to hire a popular, but all-white defense team, had rankled some Los Angeles black leaders.

### Health Care Reform

A coalition of black health care professionals have initiated a full-scale program to President Clinton's health care plan passed with the universal health care provision. The grass-roots organization, comprised of over 20 black groups supports Senator Edward Kennedy's Senate Bill and says: "Health care reform is a matter of life and death for many African Americans because they die at a higher rate from preventable diseases than other Americans." Their report says that most of the current problems of black health can be cured with better health program. They say approximately 55 percent of blacks are uninsured or underinsured.

## NEWS ANALYSIS

# Protestors demand end to military threats against Haiti

Hundreds call for immediate return of President Aristide

NEW YORK—Hundreds of people filled the auditorium of the Local 1199 hospital workers union in New York on July 28 to protest a possible U.S. invasion of Haiti and to demand the immediate return of President Aristide.

"We are preparing and organizing a mass movement in the U.S. to oppose a U.S. invasion of Haiti, which we feel is imminent," declared Maude LeBlanc of the Coalition Against Repression in Haiti (CARH). CARH along with the International Action Center and Haiti Progress newspaper organized the spirited rally at Local 1199's Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Labor Center.

The rally was called on the 79th anniversary of the U.S. invasion of Haiti in 1915. LeBlanc said that the New York rally was part of a nationally coordinated campaign.

Pat Chin, of the International Action Center, reminded the enthusiastic crowd that "79 years ago, an all-white U.S. Marines invasion force came to Haiti and killed thousands. The Marines rounded up Haitians for slave labor and even hunted and killed Haitian popular hero Charlemagne Peralte. The Marines, who as I said were all-white, hunted Peralte wearing blackface. The racism of that invasion is almost indescribable and we could expect nearly the same thing today."

"We oppose military intervention no matter what form it takes... an invasion is not calculated to liberate

the Haitian people but rather to control them for economic exploitation."

"Clinton likes to talk about restoring democracy in Haiti but is he going to pressure the multinational corporations to pay the Haitians better wages? Is he going to advocate their unionization? There can be no democracy without social justice and no racial justice without economic justice," stated Chin.

"During their 19-year-long occupation of 1915-1934, U.S. Marines

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turned Haiti into a virtual slave plantation. Thousands of our sisters and brothers were massacred, beaten, tortured and robbed. Many were forced into labor. Many others were evicted from their land. The U.S. rewrote the Haitian constitution in their favor, took total control of the country's finances and created the murderous Haitian army."

"The U.S. government has been in a bind for a long time over what to

do about Haiti. And it's not for any real concern for the Haitian people, the great majority of whom are for Aristide."

"The political establishment here has been divided on what to do because of all the things they could do, including military intervention. There is no one method that adequately serves the interests of all sectors of the U.S. ruling class—among them GTE and Rawlings who own the multinational companies operating in Port-au-Prince."

"Some are eager to send in the Marines and just take over the whole country—the course of action the White House is currently on. On the other hand, there is fear, including among some of the Haitian bourgeoisie, that even attempting such a course would set off a popular uprising that could take on tremendous proportions."

"And this is why the Pentagon has plans, during the invasion, to surround and contain poor neighborhoods like La Saline and Carrefour. These are strongholds of support for Aristide and the popular movement. There are many areas like these across Haiti," Chin told the crowd.

Ben Dupuy, the former Ambassador-at-large for the Aristide government, exposed U.S. government support for the 1991 coup that overthrew President Aristide. He told the audience that U.S. government really does not care



Ben Dupuy, of Haiti Progress newspaper, demanding "No U.S. invasion of Haiti!" at rally in New York City. Seated is Cajuste Lexius, member of the General Workers Confederation (left) and Georges Honnet, member of the Haitian National Assembly (middle).

about human rights.

Former U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark, who has traveled to Haiti several times both before and after the September 30, 1991 coup d'etat that overthrew Aristide, pointed out that the sanctions are one-sided and only affect the poor people of Haiti, in order, as he put it, "to drag them down."

"Why is it that the freezing of rich people's bank accounts has only been discussed?" asked Clark.

Olga Mejia, of the Panama Human Rights Commission, read a solidarity statement from her organization to the Haitian people. "It was five years ago at a meeting like this that Ben DuPuy and the Haitian Community offered their solidarity to the Panamanian people after the U.S. invaded in the middle of the night, killing at least four thousand people. We all remember the U.S. government saying how that invasion was also about 'democracy' and 'protect-

ing Americans,' but the situation in my country is worse and not better and the U.S. soldiers are still there."

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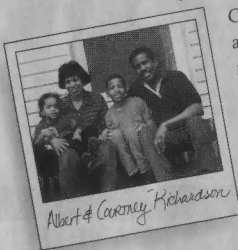
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# OPINION EDITORIAL

## NAACP, wake up and get united

Founded in 1909, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People vowed to empower and improve the lives of all colored people living in the United States. Somehow, along with the hoopla surrounding "integration" and "assimilation," the organization was lulled into a somber sleep. For the past two decades, the organization seemed to have taken a backseat in the fight for those it originally was created to serve. Maybe because of its past successes, the organization took a vacation from the struggles of black community.

Currently, one man, Benjamin Chavis, NAACP's Executive Director, has sought to return the organization to its grassroots promise, this moving ahead for a new generation. Under his leadership, the organization has seen an increase in youth. Up to this point, it appeared that the NAACP had lost touch with the youth.

At this year's national convention, Chavis, in an effort to rally all factions of the African-American community, dared to invite controversial Nation of Islam leader, Minister Louis Farrakhan, to the table of unity comprised of all African leaders. For this action, it seems as though Chavis has fallen into the mouth of a raging inferno of philanthropic critics. NAACP old guards have threatened to hold back resources.

Allegations of fiscal mismanagement and sexual harassment charges concerning Chavis conveniently slipped out of the organization's grasp in the hands of a waiting media. NAACP chapters threaten to secede if Chavis does not step down. Some even asked for his ouster personally. Indeed these allegations desire some serious concern, but the organization must not discourage the sweeping changes it desperately needs.

What these so-called "old guards" have failed to realize is that change is needed to give the organization the shot in the arm that it needs to survive into the 21st century. The infusion of new blood into the organization will revitalize its current hibernating state. New chapters will symbolize the growing effort and desire on part of the NAACP to be inclusive of all African Americans in respect to ideologies and other factors which serve as a dividing force within the community.

Through restructuring the NAACP, Chavis is doing something that the power structure in this nation sees as a threat to its existence: a united black front. Thus, the divide and conquer game is once again at play in the African American community. The organization cannot afford to waste anymore time bickering among itself while there are greater issues which must be dealt with. The NAACP should wake up and realize there is a larger picture to focus on: a united black race makes a powerful lobby and voting block.

# Guns to despots must end!

## In Rwanda and other African countries

by Sharon Khadijah Vincent



The Organization of African Unity (OAU) appointed President Mobutu Sese Seko Zaire as mediator to broker a cease-fire agreement between the various Rwandan factions. If there were any doubts that OUA is in bad shape, they would have been removed with this move, because President Mobutu is one of the most vicious dictators in power of the African continent.

Years of political interference, colonization, economic subjugation, total domination by imperialist powers etc., have taken its toll on people, the land resources and infrastructures throughout the continent. The man-made disasters we witnessed in Somalia, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Angola, Sudan, Liberia and one we are currently seeing take place in Rwanda, are aftermaths of the previous mentioned reasons for the various tragedies we have witnessed. In addition, ancient tribal rivalries, which are exploited and fueled by despots such as Mobutu, Sambi,

Museveni etc., are other factors contributing to the turmoil and problems plaguing many African nations.

Even though the argument reached between the warring factions in Rwanda, lead to the establishment of a government under the leadership of a Rwandan Patriotic Front, it's extremely doubtful that bloodletting is finished. It is the fear of reprisals that lead to the mass exodus of over one million predominantly Hutu refugees out of Rwanda. Ironically, while mothers and fathers fled to save their lives and that of their children, they ran right into the jaws of death.

Thousands of Rwandan refugees have died in a cholera epidemic. Thousands more are expected to die as a result of dysentery, starvation, malnutrition, and other diseases brought on by unsanitary and unsafe conditions. Tragically, as is so often the case, the children have suffered the most. They have lost mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins. The suffering is unspeakable. The pain unbearable. The images haunting and unforgettable.

A generation has been traumatized; the emotional and psychological toll that has been inflicted

on the survivors will undoubtedly take years to recover from. Can the children who witness their families slaughtered ever forget? Will they seek revenge sometime in the future? That's what the now victorious Tutsi's did. They were forced to flee into exile over 30 years ago when Hutus were victorious against them. Unfortunately, history very often does repeat itself.

The OAU must take more of a leadership role in helping to resolve the conflicts and problems facing the various African nations. Principled leadership is needed. Individuals such as President Mobutu, who has ruled through military force and intimidation with the help of a willing partner (with the CIA's help and support) in the neo-colonialization and continued exploitation of African people, need to be kept out of important leadership positions.

He represents what went wrong, and continues to go wrong, when military rulers are allowed to be in control and suppress the democratic forces.

Arrogant military dictators who care more about lining their own pockets and squandering money and resources of their nations away from the masses of people, are the individuals

who must be removed from power. As democratic reform is encouraged, aided and supported in Europe, the same must be done in the countries throughout Africa. Since the military regimes have been supported and financed by the western powers for their own evil colonial and imperialist designs and schemes, it is only right that they help dismantle the monsters that they helped create.

In the meantime, every effort must be made to empower the people by providing the necessary technical assistance and aid that will allow them to take back control over their own lives. Providing more guns and ammunition to the despots must end. The people need food, clothing, and shelter, not more bullets.

Support should be given to the hundreds of volunteers and agencies that want to give humanitarian assistance, as opposed to advice on how to stockpile and smuggle in weapons of destruction. The OAU must address this issue, and encourage the purge of those individuals and forces who represent these negative interests.

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CHILD WATCH

## Endangered vs. in danger, PROJECT 2000 making the difference

by Marian Wright Edelman

It is a tragedy that escalating violence in our community has prompted some to suggest that black males should be placed on a list of "endangered species." But educational psychologist Spencer H. Holland believes that unlike the spotted owl, young black men are better described as "in danger" and suggests that saving them from extinction depends on our immediate intervention in their lives.

Dr. Holland's research revealed that our young men are failing school in record numbers. He believes their failure to stay in school is symptomatic, in part, for escalating violence. He says passionately, "You give me money for our babies, and I will prevent the expansion of prisons... We cannot just build prisons, build schools." He feels these young men need to be exposed to positive male role models in the schools to understand that getting an education is necessary to their survival and success.

To that end, he began PROJECT

2000 at the District of Columbia's Stanton Elementary School in 1988. Through Community Black Men, Inc., PROJECT 2000 has trained adult black males to serve as volunteer teacher assistants in four first-grade classes at Stanton.

The goal of PROJECT 2000, which began when the high school graduating class of the year 2000 entered kindergarten, is to bring positive black adult male role models into the daily school experience of inner-city African American boys because of the absence of men in many of their homes. After training, the men were assigned to a class and spent one half-day per week helping youth with their lessons. Placing positive role models in the classrooms gives most of these boys their first opportunity to interact over time with loving adult males, something they desperately need to lead productive lives.

Teachers, students, parents, and teacher assistants all agree that the program is a success. They say PROJECT 2000 is working to the benefit of the children, and is especially valuable in increasing the level

of academic achievement of the young boys. The presence of the men has also decreased the level of disciplinary problems.

Through the development of The Center for Educating African-American Males (CEAAM) at Morgan State University in Baltimore, PROJECT 2000 programs have been implemented in Miami, FL, St. Louis, MO, New Brunswick, NJ, Paterson, NJ, Atlantic City, NJ, and Nashville, TN. Other proposed cities include Newark, NJ and Montgomery County, MD. All of the projects are sponsored by community-based organizations. The volunteers come from all walks of life and include college students, firemen, policemen, bus drivers, technicians, doctors, and accountants.

It's programs like PROJECT 2000 that work to honor the accomplishments of Brown vs. The Board of Education, to prevent the development of negative attitudes towards the learning experience, and to promote high levels of academic achievement among black males. The black men who participated are to be commended for working to save one of our communities' most valuable resources, our children.

Marian Wright Edelman is the president of the Children's Defense Fund in Washington, D.C. and founder of the Black Community Crusade for Children.

## Life's Little Instructions

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## Candid talk about race needed...

by Senator Bill Bradley

Even though a great deal of time has passed since former Nation of Islam Minister Khalid Abdul Mohammed spoke at Kean College last year, much of what he said still lingers in our memories. The painful and long-lasting effects on his remarks remind us of the power words have to divide us. But

we've focused too much energy for too long on hatred and division and not enough on why it's so important that we heal and unite.

America is the world's most important pluralistic democracy. Our nation accepts all kinds of people, and each in turn shapes what it means to be an American. In America, you can hold onto your ethnic or racial identity and still adhere to the American creed.

But you can't allow your racial and ethnic identity to overshadow the tolerance, respect, and mutual commitment to liberty that rests at the core of being American. Because once the demons of race and ethnicity are unleashed, the bonds that hold us together as Americans will start to come apart.

It is imperative that we find common ground. We're no longer a nation divided by a single line separating blacks from whites. We're a mix of races, languages, religions from across the world whose futures are inextricably bound to one another. By the year 2000, only 57 percent of those entering the work force will be native-born whites. That means the economic future of the children of all Americans will depend more on the talent of non-white Americans. We'll all advance together, or each of us will be diminished.

Racial demons will continue to surface unless people of different races start listening to each other on the subject of race. But when was the last time you talked to a person of another race about race? It's as if we are all experts locked into narrow views and preferring to be wrong rather than risk changing those views.

All of us need an honest dialogue with those who are different from ourselves. You might be surprised not only by how much you learn, but by how much you share. And all of us need to show the courage to take on history, wherever it's spoken and whatever the color of the speaker.

When we learn racial or ethnic hatred explodes are tolerated, carried by, civility—precisely the qualities we need to allow us to live side by side in mutual respect.

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**MOUNTAINSIDE**—The Whole Earth Show will be performed by Puppetrix at Trailside Nature and Science Center at 7:30 p.m. with a special presentation. It will be introduced to the problems of environmental degradation in a fun fast paced manner encouraging audience participation with the use of puppets and songs. For more info. call 908-789-3670.

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**MOUNTAINSIDE**—Sixth To Eighth graders are invited to discover facts about the rainforest from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. For more info call Betty Ann Kelly 908-789-3670 or Joe Montgomery at 908-527-4746.

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## Do Something Fund seeks leadership and offers grants for improvement projects

**NEWARK**—Do Something Fund is currently looking for leaders throughout Newark to apply to a Fall Leadership Course. The level one, 15-week course will be taught on Monday nights for those ages 15-29, while those 30 years and older will be taught on Wednesday nights. Applications are due August 22.

The Do Something Fund also offers grants of up to \$500 to turn ideas into action while improving the city of Newark. Applications are

# YOUTH/EDUCATION/SUCCESS

## Introducing the new Mr. Hubbard School

by Sherry Burrus

Jason Edwards, 13 was awarded the "Mr. Hubbard School" award for representing all of the positive qualities of a Hubbard student: outstanding leader among leaders, outstanding athlete, good grades and good citizenship and conduct at the Hubbard Middle School graduation ceremony in Plainfield this past June.

Jason endured a busy school year with maintaining grades, which consisted of A's, B's and C's and being a forward on the school's basketball team as well as an outfielder for the school's baseball team. He was also a member of the Pop Warner Plainfield Cardinals football team.

But just because it's summer doesn't mean Jason will take it easy and lounge around like the average thirteen year old. Jason is keeping busy this summer with, what else but, sports. Sports has been a part of Jason's life since he was a young boy. He started out playing soccer at a very early age, which led him to playing all the other sports he is now involved with.

This summer Jason is proudly representing Plainfield in the national Jesse Owens Track Meet. He has competed in events in Philadelphia and Virginia, bringing home a gold medal for the 100 meters with a qualifying time of 11.5, which according to Jason it was easy.

"I was a little nervous, but it was kind of easy. I didn't have much competition," said Jason even though he ran against sixteen other athletes. Jason's next meet will be in Los Angeles, where participants will also be taken to Disney Land.

According to Jason's mother Mrs. Dawn Edwards, Jason never wanted



Jason Edwards

to run track and only agreed to do so as a favor to her. "I used to get him into track practice last year because when I saw the way he ran in football camp, I just thought he was extraordinary the way he passed his teammates. So, I asked him to go out for the track team (last summer). He said it was too hot and didn't stick with it. For Mother's Day (this year) I read about the Jesse Owens competition and I asked him 'Jason for my Mother's Day present please compete in this' and reluctantly he did it and he won his event. And I think after that the bug bit him."

It isn't difficult to see why Jason is such an outstanding student, leader, and athlete. It must run in his blood. Jason is the grandson of the late Rev. Everett C. Latimore, former mayor of Plainfield during the early 80's. Jason is also the nephew of Ronald Upperman, Plainfield High School's track coach.

So what's in store for the future? Even though Jason has plenty of time to decide what he wants to do, he will be attending Plainfield High School where he intends to run track and says later he'd like to attend the University of North Carolina to become a psychiatrist.

## Pens around the World

**PLAINFIELD**—Agencies throughout Union County are participating in a pen pal program beginning this summer called Pens Around The World. The program is intended to give children from ages 8-12-years-old the opportunity to learn, understand and develop a respect for people in four different African countries: Kenya, Zimbabwe, Nigeria and Ghana. For additional information or to volunteer services please call Sidney Wright at 908-699-8290.



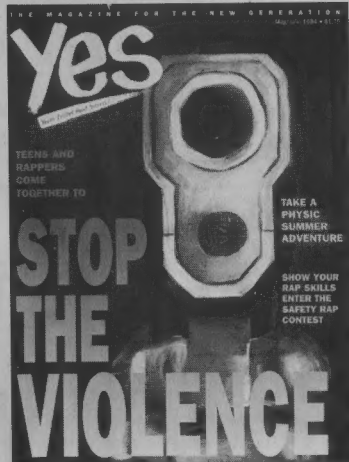
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## Dr. Bertice Berry talks to youth at NAACP Convention



(L-R) Yvonne Finnie, director NAACP Youth and College Division; Lorri Sadler, marketing manager Pepsi-Cola; Yasmeen Hurston, member national NAACP Board of directors and Dr. Bertice Berry.

**CHICAGO**—In a speech filled with humor, Dr. Bertice Berry, told an enthusiastic audience of youth delegates to the NAACP's 85th Annual Convention that her success as a national television talk show host is the result of community support, education and "spirituality—talking and listening to God."

The main speaker for the Roy Wilkins Scholarship Luncheon, hosted by Pepsi-Cola Company for the NAACP Youth and College Division delegates, told the gathering that when she began her talk show career she had concentrated in the wrong areas.

"I would spend a lot of time worrying about what clothes to wear and how I should style my hair," said Dr. Berry, who holds a Ph.D. in Sociology from Kent State University. "This worried me. I knew that God had called me to do something, and I was worrying about clothes and hair," continued Dr. Berry.

According to Dr. Berry, she asked for divine guidance and found herself "putting together my education with my spirituality. I saw that my purpose in life was to inform, to entertain and to educate."

During Dr. Berry's speech, the talk show host addressed the importance of community involvement, which she maintains is inseparable from her spiritual beliefs. She is determined to be a resource to the community that sustained and assisted her. Her community ties run so deep that she asked members of her church to accompany her when she appeared before officials at Kent State University to defend her Ph.D. dissertation.

"You have never seen a candidate defend a dissertation until you have seen him or her supported by the mourners' bench" (of a Black Church)," Dr. Berry said. "I remember saying something like... according to calculations of the social mal-

adjustment... while the mourners bench kept encouraging me with, 'uh, huh—talk about it, baby.'"

The Delaware-born Berry, who now lives in Chicago, carries her spiritual convictions with her onto her television program, where she tries to accentuate the positive and to concentrate on finding solutions to problems.

Dr. Berry is also a talented comedian whose routines tend to focus on breaking down racial and gender barriers and increasing harmony and diversity.

"I travel frequently, and every day I'm in a different hotel," said Dr. Berry. "A couple of times, people have mistaken me for part of the housekeeping staff. The other day a man said to me, 'You can come into my room now and do your job.' So, I went in there and told him some jokes!"

## BETTER LIFE NEWS

# Religious Calendar

## THURSDAYS IN AUGUST

**ELIZABETH**—A free mid-day concert series "Shop, Look, and Listen" will take place at the First Presbyterian Church from 12 noon to 2 p.m. For more info, contact Sylvia Rivera at 608-558-2550.

## AUGUST 8-14

**PLAINFIELD**—Faith Tabernacle Outreach Ministries, under the leadership of Bishop Herbert L. Bright, Sr., will hold its 10th annual Holy Convocation at the Clark Hamlet Hotel. There will be daily workshops and services. A free concert on August 8 featuring gospel recording artist Donald Mallory. For more info contact Pastor Andrea Jolley at 808-757-0350.

**EAST ORANGE**—Summer in the City presents an "Afternoon of Gospel Music" at Sovereign Park from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. For more info call 201-256-5175/5121. For hearing impaired call TTY - New Jersey Relay 1-800-7697.

## SEPTEMBER 10-11

**NEWARK**—Interfaith Expo '94 is coming to Newark at the Robert Trent Hotel. The expo will feature 150 vendors for shopping, food, jazz and gospel music and a gospel musical "A Mother's Cry For Her Children." For more info, call 201-399-5270 or 1-800-324-8921.

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## UEC celebrates African Heritage

**ELIZABETH**—The United and Economic Coalition of Elizabeth and Union County, Inc. will hold its first Annual African Heritage and Cultural Festival in Elizabeth on Friday, August 12 to Sunday, August 14.

The festival will be held at Jackson Park on Broadway. Vendors will be available with food, clothing, jewelry, artifacts and African storytelling. Entertainment will also be provided by local artists including The Negro League, "Anu," Fred Scott, Michael Griffith, Tracey Sutton and many more. For entertainment information call Joy at 908-245-7258. For vendor information call Denise at 908-574-1322.

# A strong self-esteem can better your life

by Robert N. Taylor

The process of achieving success in virtually any endeavor is three-fold. First you must know "What" to do, then you must know "How" to do it and third you must have the "Motivation" to take consistent, energetic action. If you have the "what," the "how" and the "motivation," there is virtually no goal which is not within your grasp.

The problem is that a lot of people know what they want to do to make their lives better. And many of them even have a general idea of how to go about achieving the desired goal.

So often, what is lacking is the motivation. Therefore, the point-of-departure for this week's column is to drive home this powerful point: "high

levels of self-esteem will give you all the motivation you will need to accomplish any realistic goal." In simple terms, if you are forever procrastinating and failing to take actions which you know you should be taking, then your self-esteem is too low—you do not think enough of yourself!

This may sound brutal, but it is true. So all dreamers, all procrastinators, all under-achievers must focus time and attention on building their self-esteem. The following tips will help you to achieve success in doing so.

**Employ daily self-hypnotic, positive affirmations:** Our experiences make us what we are. And the experiences which shape us the most are those

which are most frequently repeated and those which are most emotional. Thus, if you have less than adequate self-esteem, your life is being controlled by past negative experiences which retarded the growth of your self-esteem.

But we all know there is nothing one can do to change the past. What you must do now is bring into your life positive, emotional experiences which will enable you to "reprogram" your mind. One method of doing this is by adopting a practice of uttering self-esteem building phrases to yourself each and every day. Even twice a day. This is the only way to counteract negative beliefs and feelings which may have been instilled in you during childhood. Often these negative beliefs are so ingrained that they are part of your subconscious. This means you may not be fully aware of them.

Positive esteem-building affirmations work because the mind will

generally come to accept that which we tell it repeatedly. You should recite your affirmations in a place where you can be alone and uninterrupted for at least ten minutes. Tell your mind the type of person you want to be and how you will behave in particular circumstances. But do it with emotion! The more emotion you can generate, the more rapidly you can reprogram your mind.

**Set clear, specific goals:** Goals give purpose to your life. That's right! If you do not have any goals, then your life has no purpose. Secondly, there must be a plan for achieving your goals. That plan gives direction to your life. Your goal tells you what to do and your plan tells you how to do it. Having both of these firmly implanted in your mind will also build self-esteem.

**Build up on small successes:** Healthy self-esteem comes from real-life experiences and successes. Thus,

you must put theory into practice. As soon as you finish reading this column, do something which you have been putting off. It does not matter how small or insignificant the task. Just do it! Now, build upon that small success by either doing something else or by placing as the number one item on your things-to-do list for tomorrow some other task which you have been procrastinating about. This is how change is brought about.

**Remember, you have the power to better your life:** You must take action. Virtually any goal can be yours. Just don't procrastinate.

**Adopt a personal mantra:** A word or phrase which motivates you. This mantra can spur you into action or positive self-esteem every time you feel yourself deviating or falling back into self-defeating habits and beliefs. Your self esteem can be your most powerful tool during difficult times.

## DID YOU KNOW?

by Robert N. Taylor

...that eating fish appears to give smokers protection from various lung diseases. Studies conducted in four communities in North Carolina, Maryland, Mississippi and Minnesota found that smokers who had four servings of fish a week were 45 percent less likely to develop bronchitis and emphysema. The study was reported in last week's New England Journal of Medicine.

...that among working people, more heart attacks occur on Monday than on any other day of the week. Researchers believe the reason is the stress associated with going back to work. Meanwhile, the most likely hours for a heart attack on Monday are 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.

...that you may not believe this but rest and sleep consume the greatest portion of each day. Work comes in second. The average person gets 7 and 3/4 hours sleep per day. Source: Research done at the University of Michigan Institute of Gerontology.

...that several nasty diseases have been making headlines recently. Big headlines were written when an unusual number of people in Europe and America came down with the dreaded necrotizing fasciitis which—if not treated—"Eats" human flesh and the person could be dead within a matter of days. But another nasty one which has been around for a long time and is making a new appearance is dracunculiasis. This parasite burrows into your skin and after about a year releases 3 million eggs which destroy tissue and bone.

...that if you are looking for ways

to enhance your income, you may want to consider the profit-making potential of sponsoring events. The event sponsorship movement is growing with many people around the country generating \$500 to \$5000 in extra monthly income by sponsoring events ranging from parties to card game tournaments to burlesque and financial seminars. A manual entitled "Making Big Money Sponsoring Events" is available from the Better Life Club, P.O. Box 28422, Washington, D.C. 20038.

...that this week's favorite quote was originally attributed to former Chrysler Corporation head Lee Iacocca: "Lead, follow or get out of the way."

...that after falling for 13 consecutive years, the number of Americans using illegal drugs stopped declining last year. According to the National Household Survey on Drug Abuse, 11.7 million Americans admit to using illegal drugs. That was slightly higher than the 11.4 million reported in 1992.

...that time management experts advise that in order to get the most out of each day, the success oriented person should operate from clear, specific goals which have been written down, compile a daily "Things to do list" with the most difficult tasks scheduled for early in the day, spend at least 1/2 hour each day engaging in uninterrupted thinking and planning and have an action-oriented, "Let us get it done now" approach to life.

## Health care reform

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an attack. "Most of our parents are on Medicare. You want to repeal Medicare, m'am? Do you think that's a socialized medicine. I don't. Medicare is paid by all of us and by our employers. They take care of the elderly people in this country and no body wants to repeal it," he said.

Citing individuals he met on his caravan tour who are suffering because they are unable to finance their rising cost of insurance premiums, the president asked his opponents for their answer. "It's time that the shoe is on the other foot," he said.

"If you're on welfare you have health care. If you're in jail, you have health care. If you're rich or a politician, you've got it. The only people that can lose it are the working people. That's not right," the president said.

Clinton acknowledged that his plan would "stop rationalizing government and avoid socialized medicine and give it back to private American health care systems and every American family."

"That is what we're trying to do,"

he added. "And all the disinformation in the world won't stop us," Clinton ended.

The rally was organized by several unions and groups which have endorsed the Clinton health care reforms. Clinton's Jersey City visit was part of a Northeast bus tour starting from Massachusetts.

Boston through New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and Washington D.C.

People began crowding the lawn near the Central Railroad Terminal building as early as 7 a.m. for the president's scheduled 1:30 p.m. speech. Spectators gazed at a magnificent view of the World Trade Center and Battery Park across the Hudson River.

Prior to the president's arrival, the thousands of anxious onlookers who braved the hot, hazy, humid day were entertained by the music of Clarence Clemons and Boyz II Men. Later they joined Peter Yarrow of the folk group, Peter, Paul and Mary, in a rendition of "This Land Is Your Land."

The crowd also heard from Reps.

Robert Menden (D-13th Dist.) and Robert Torricelli (D-9th Dist.) and four top union leaders including Charles Golsen, the political director for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME).

Menden whose district includes the park acknowledged that 125,000 working people in his district had no health insurance. "This fight is for them," he said. "This is the right place to ignite the fight for health care security," he added.

In addition to the two representatives, on stage with Clinton were former Governors Jim Florio and Brendan Byrne, Rep. Herb Klein (D-8th Dist.), Jersey City Mayor Bret Schundler Hudson County Executive Robert Janicewicz and East Orange Mayor Cardell Cooper, who is currently involved in a voting integrity controversy in the Democratic Party's race for Essex County Executive.

During the President's speech several opponents boomed including a man

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### PUBLIC NOTICE AND HEARING NEWARK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT GROUND ACCESS MONORAIL - NORTHEAST CORRIDOR CONNECTION PROJECT NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Port Authority of New York & New Jersey (PA) has proposed the Newark International Airport Ground Access Monorail-Northeast Corridor Connection Project. The goal of the project is to improve groundside access to the airport while reducing travel time, increasing travel reliability, diverting traffic from roadways, and improving air quality. Three alignments to extend the monorail system (which is presently under construction at Newark Airport) from Parking Lot E across Routes 1 and 9 to the proposed rail station on the Northeast Corridor (NEC) are being evaluated. In addition, a "No Build" alternative and a Transportation Systems Management option are being studied.

#### AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

A Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) has been prepared by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) which assesses the project's effect on the environment in accordance with the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. Copies of the DEIS are available for review at the following locations (call for hours):

U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, Fitzgerald Federal Building, Room 347,  
John F. Kennedy International Airport, Jamaica, NY 11430 (718) 553-1250  
Elizabeth Public Library, 11 South Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07202 (908) 354-6060  
Newark Public Library, 5 Washington Street, Newark, NJ 07101 (201) 733-7800

Copies of the DEIS or a Summary of the document may be obtained by contacting Anthony P. Spina, Acting Manager-Safety and Standards Branch (AIA-620), U.S. Department of Transportation, P.A.A., Fitzgerald Federal Building, John F. Kennedy International Airport, Jamaica, New York, 11430 (718) 553-1250. Written comments on the DEIS can be sent to Mr. Spina at the above address. Comments must be received no later than September 7, 1994.

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing has been scheduled to present the findings of the DEIS, discuss the project alternatives, present the three alignments under consideration, and receive official public testimony.

**DATE:** Wednesday, August 17, 1994  
**TIME:** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM PRESENTATION/COMMENT PERIOD  
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM REPEAT OF PRESENTATION/COMMENT PERIOD  
**LOCATION:** Holiday Inn North  
169 Holiday Plaza  
Newark, New Jersey 07114  
(off Exit 14 of the New Jersey Turnpike)

A brief presentation on the alternatives will be given at 4:00 PM and repeated at 7:00 PM. All interested parties will be given the opportunity to express their views concerning the project. Persons may make oral statements and/or file written statements and other exhibits. All persons wishing to make oral statements must sign up between 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM or 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM on the day of the Hearing in order to speak on the record. The Hearing will continue until the last registered speaker has been heard. Written statements may be submitted at the Hearing or sent to Mr. Spina (see availability of DEIS above). All statements received no later than September 7, 1994 will be made part of the official public record. The proceedings will be recorded by a stenographer.

For further information concerning the Public Hearing or the availability of the DEIS, contact Mr. Spina at (718) 553-1250 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Persons requiring assistance for the hearing impaired should call Mr. Spina no later than August 10, 1994.



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### NOW THRU 31

**BOUNDBROOK**—Artist Deidre McGrail will be exhibiting a new series of paintings at the Palmyra Gallery. For more info, and times of the exhibits call 908-302-0515.

### NOW THRU 28

**SOMERSET**—The 30s musical "Ain't Misbehavin'" will be performed at the Villagers Theatre, Showtimes on Fridays and Saturdays are at 8:30 p.m., and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. For tickets and info, call 908-873-2710.

### NOW THRU 28

**TRENTON**—BABES IN ARMS opens at the Mill Hill Playhouse on Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00 p.m. and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. Special rates are available. For more info, 609-393-8261.

**WESTBURY**—Dion and Gene Pitney will perform at the Westbury Music Fair Showtime at 9:00 p.m. For tickets and information call 516-334-0800.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

**WESTBURY**—David Sanborn will be performing at the Westbury Music Fair Showtime at 9:00 p.m. For tickets and information call 516-334-0800.

### AUGUST 12-14

**ATLANTIC CITY**—Schrock and November will appear at Gatsby's Lounge at The Grand Fri. and Sat. at 8:30 p.m. to 1:15 a.m. Sun. from 8:30 p.m. to 12:15 a.m. For more info, call Sharon Pearce at 609-340-7025 or Michael Dileva at 609-340-2000.

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## JAZZ 88's sizzling '95 sax calendar

**NEWARK**—WBGO-FM/JAZZ 88 will kick off 1995 with a calendar that pays tribute to its well-known logo—the sax player—and for the first time ever, the station's listeners are invited to submit photos.

We hope to receive a strong sampling of dramatic, exclusive shots that will not only make a great collector's item, but will also provide solid exposure for the photographers and the saxophonists. We recently celebrated our 15th anniversary, so this is an excellent opportunity to highlight

and fortify our image as well as to reach out to the community that helps us keep jazz alive.

Professional and amateur photographers are invited to donate high quality, 8 X 10 black and white photos of their favorite saxophonist for use in the calendar. All photos must be clearly identified with the names of the photographer and musician printed on the back. It is each photographer's responsibility to obtain and provide proper clearance from the artist or artist's estate.

Approximately 15 photographs will be selected for the calendar. If not selected, photos will be returned in your self-addressed, stamped envelope. Deadline for submissions is August 22. Don't miss this chance to showcase your work in WBGO's limited edition collector's item.

For more information, call Carolyn McClair Public Relations at (212) 586-7089. Photos should be mailed to Jazz Calendar-WBGO-FM, 54 Park Place Newark, NJ 07102.

## Dr. Dre & Ed Lover sign with Relativity

**NEW YORK**—Doctor Dre and Ed Lover, hosts of Yo! MTV Raps and Hot 97's morning radio show, have signed with Relativity Records and have their debut record scheduled for release this October.

Doctor Dre and Ed Lover introduced hip hop to the mostly uniformed nation and helped to change the face of television as co-hosts of the country's #1

hip-hop show, Yo! MTV Raps. Dre and Lover's continued success at MTV recently convinced Hot 97 to offer them the first commercial radio hip-hop morning show in New York City.

Doctor Dre and Ed Lover are the most recent signing to Relativity's rap roster as Relativity continues to develop its prominence in the rap marketplace.

## Crossroads introduces 'Just for groups' plan

**NEW BRUNSWICK**—Crossroads Theatre Company, featuring a season of dramas of cultural relevance, has added a new "Just for Groups" subscription to its subscriber packages now being offered for the upcoming 1995 season.

Local groups and organizations that regularly attend Crossroads' performances at discounted group rates can now save more through the new group subscription packages.

The "Just for Groups" plan enables groups of 20 or more to pay as

little as \$45 per person for a three-play group subscription during previews on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings during the regular run. Groups will save up to \$21 over the cost of single ticket prices when they subscribe.

For 1994-95, Crossroads continues to offer a variety of subscription plans that enable subscribers to save money over single ticket prices and receive certain subscriber benefits ranging from ticket exchange privileges to local restaurant discounts.

Subscription packages include Preview subscription for preview performances prior to opening night, spotlight subscription for matinee and evening performances, single mingle subscriptions during "Single Mingle Nights," at Crossroads, the family plan, 21/65 Subscription for senior citizen savings and Gala Opening Night Subscriptions.

For information on group rates call Ros Neal at 908-249-5581, extension 17. For all other subscription plans, call 908-249-5581, extension 16.

## In The Army Now opens soon



Pictured from L-R, Fred (David Alan Grier), Bones (Pauly Shore), Christine (Lori Petty), and Jack (Andy Dick), are entrusted with a mission that could determine the fate of the world in *In The Army Now*.

A hilarious new comedy by Hollywood pictures called *In The Army Now*, opens nationwide on August 12, 1994.

The film is a classic "fish out of water" storyline taken to extremes. Irony prevails when this goofy group becomes involved in an unexpected mission and the fate of the world rests in their hands.

*In The Army Now* stars Pauly Shore ("Bones") and David Alan Grier ("Fred"), well recognized for his comedy work on *In Living Color* and previous films such as *Boomerang*, *A Soldier's Story*, and *Streamers* for which he won a Golden Lion Award for Best Actor at the Venice Film Festival.

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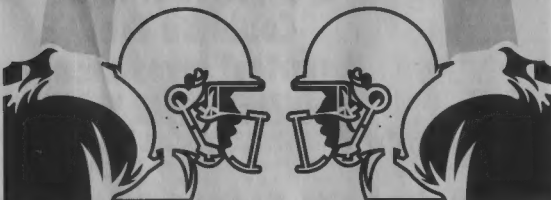
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# CITY BUSINESS

## SBA offers loan program for NJ small businesses

by Paul Joseph

The U.S. Small Business Administration unveiled the new Low Documentation Loan Program pledging to cut down volumes of paperwork for New Jersey small businesses applying for guaranteed SBA loans up to \$100,000.

The program known as LowDoc will allow small business owners to simply fill out a one-page application for loans under \$50,000. Applications for loans from \$50,000 to \$100,000 will include the one-page application, the applicant's income

### The approval process will focus on character, credit and business experience

tax return for the previous three years and personal financial statements from all other guarantors and co-borrowers of the business.

SBA Regional Administrator Thomas M. Bettridge said no predetermined percentage of equity is required from the borrower, and a lack of full collateral is not necessarily a determining factor in the approval for a LowDoc loan.

LowDoc relies heavily on a lender's experience in judging a borrower's credit history and character, according to Bettridge. "The approval process will focus on character, credit and business experience," he said. "A borrower must show the ability to repay debts, as shown through his personal or business credit history and by past or projected cash flow before he can be considered a candidate for a LowDoc loan," Bettridge added.

He also said that simplifying the application process will increase response time and allow the SBA to reach out to many more small business owners in need of capital.

US Senator Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ) said the SBA is making significant

progress in being more responsive to the needs of small businesses. "The LowDoc program will bring efficiency and effectiveness to SBA loan programs in New Jersey," the senator said.

"Small business is the backbone of our economy. It provides jobs to millions of Americans. The LowDoc program will make a big difference in the efficiency of the SBA loan application process. This is the kind of program we need to help small businesses get off the ground and on the road to success," Lautenberg stated.

LowDoc is a response to complaints made to the agency concerning its small loan application process. The SBA studied its original T-1 General Business Loan Program and found that it consists of a paper bureaucracy that was cumbersome to both borrowers and lenders. As a result, the organization launched a pilot project in Texas last year to test the use of limited documentation loan applications. The success of the program caused SBA officials to issue a nationwide expansion plan.

Under LowDoc, the SBA can guarantee up to 90 percent of a loan made by a commercial lender to an existing business, a business purchase or start-up. Loan maturities are generally up to seven years for working capital, 10 years for machinery and equipment and up to 25 years for real estate.

Interest rates are negotiated between borrower and lenders and are set at market rates, subject to SBA maximums of 2.25 points above the prime rate for loans less than seven years maturity and up to 2.75 points for longer terms. Loans under \$50,000 may be subject to higher rates.

Borrowers must use loan proceeds for working capital, expansion, renovations, as well as purchasing a business, machinery and inventory.

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### EVERY 1ST FRIDAY

NEWARK—Business network, buffet, and dance party. Every 1st Friday of the month at Sheraton Inn. Newark Airport 5:30 p.m.-1 p.m. \$10 fee, \$7 before 8 p.m. Every Friday.

PLAINFIELD—Consumer Credit Counseling Service of N.J., Inc. will provide counseling services at United National Bank's Community Education Center starting July 8. For more info call 201 267-4324.

NEW YORK—The Food Marketing Institute will hold a new conference on supermarket industry issues at the Intercontinental from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. For more info call Edie Melaski, Dir., Media Relations 202 429-8226 or Sherri Rosenblatt, Mgr., Media Relations 202 429-4552.

PLAINFIELD—Compliance for Small Businesses: United National Bank's Community Education Center will be offering a course on Form 19 which is necessary to legally employ people in the U.S. 6:30 p.m.-7 p.m. Instructor will be Tony Papasso, Supervisory Special Agent, U.S. Dept. of Immigration. For more info call Dorothy Pollard 908 756-5000.

### THURSDAY AUGUST 11

GREAT GORGE—The New York/New Jersey Minority Purchasing Council, Inc. will present their first annual "Scholarship Fun Day" at The Great Gorge Resort. Have fun in the sun with a variety of outdoor activities and network at the same time. All day event. Registration required. For more info call the Council at 212 322-7632.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 16

PLAINFIELD—The United National Bank's Community Education Center presents a series of mini-workshops for women returning to enter or re-enter the workforce from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. On the 4th a writing resume workshop and the 16 a interviewing techniques workshop. For more info call Dorothy Pollard at 908 756-5000.

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## COAH adopts regional income limits for 1994

TRENTON—The Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) adopted 1994 income limits on a regional basis at its July 20th meeting. The income limits are used to determine the eligibility of low and moderate income households for Mt. Laurel housing to price new sales and rental units and to price the maximum resale price of existing affordable sales units.

Low income is below 50 percent of the median, while moderate income is between 50 and 80 percent of median. No increases in maximum sales prices shall be permitted except in Hudson and Warren counties, according to Art Bernard, COAH's executive director.

"Affordable rents can be raised a maximum of 2.6 percent, based on the U.S. Consumer Price Index (CPI) for housing," said Bernard. "However, low income tax credit developments can increase rents based on the low income tax regulations."

Previously, COAH provided separate income limits for each county even though the Mt. Laurel obligation is a regional housing obligation. By treating each county differently, the same unit in the same region designed to address the same housing obligation could be priced \$30,000 differently.

Bernard said the individual county approach also created competitive disadvantages for regional contribution agreements since cities in some counties would be required to create much less expensive housing units than other cities within the same housing region. COAH believes that the regional approach to income limits is more logical and equitable, he said.

For example, in region one, Bergen, Hudson, Passaic and Sussex counties, the median income for a four-person household is \$52,730. To be eligible for moderate income housing, a four-person household could earn between \$42,184 and

\$26,365. Households earning below the \$26,365 figure would be in the low income bracket.

Since the income limits in 1993 for Bergen and Passaic counties were higher than the new figures, municipalities in those two counties can continue to offer housing units to households that qualified under the 1993 HUD income limits until the regional income limits equal or exceed the 1993 HUD income limits, said COAH's executive director.

"COAH did this," Bernard said, "because if homeowners were forced to sell to people at much lower incomes, they would have great difficulty in selling the units. Also, COAH was concerned about people who relied on the fact that they were previously income eligible now being told that they no longer qualify for affordable housing because of the lower regional number."

In housing region two, Essex, Union, Morris and Warren counties, the median income for a four-person household is \$56,000. Thus, a family earning between \$44,800 and \$38,000 is considered eligible for moderate income housing. Households earning less than \$28,000 may be eligible for low income housing.

The income limits for region three, Hunterdon, Somerset and Middlesex counties, remained the same as 1993: \$61,300 median, \$49,040 moderate limit and \$30,650 low income limit.

While the percentage of increase from 1992 to 1993 determines maximum prices for new sales and resales of affordable units, these figures are merely maximum limits. The real estate market may determine that owners will have to ask less than the maximum permitted sales price, as market homeowners often do, to sell their homes. Allowable rental increases will not use those percentages but will be capped at the CPI index of 2.6 percent.

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**The Bid Opening** will be held at: 12:00 noon (prevailing time) on **Tuesday, August 16, 1994** in the Board Room of the Authority, 333 Passaic Street, Passaic, New Jersey. **NO LATE BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

A voluntary pre bid conference will be held on Tuesday, August 9, 1994 at 10:00 a.m. in the conference room of the Administration Office located at 333 Passaic Street, Passaic, New Jersey.

Bidding documents, including specification, may be obtained at the Administration Office, 333 Passaic Street, Passaic, New Jersey 07055 in the Purchasing Department or by calling (201) 265-2217.

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Firms choosing to submit their bids via the "United States" mail are required to have said mail delivered prior to appointed bid opening time. Proper consideration must be given to allow for weekends and holidays.

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All bids must be enclosed in properly sealed envelope bearing on the outside the name of the bidder and the title of the bid contained therein.

No bid shall withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days subsequent to the date of the bid without the consent of the Authority. Schedule of Withdrawal and administrative charges are included with the bid documents.

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This is to advise you that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Township of Irvington will hold a special meeting on 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday August 2

The purpose of said special meeting is for discussion of the evaluation, contract and performance of the Executive Director of the Irvington Housing Authority and, possible litigation. Also to be discussed is Resolution for Auditor and Attorney. It is expected

No other notice will supersede this notice nor will any changes be made unless they are made by Russia Thompson, Acting Chair. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (201) 648-5213.

8/03/94

RUSSIA PRICE-THOMPSON  
ACTING CHAIR

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LEGAL NOTICE

MORRISTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY  
C.I.P. 914

ing will be held at 10  
31 Early Street.

**HEATING AND PLUMBING UPGRADES, NJ 23-4**

**PUBLIC NOTICE** is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Housing Authority of the Town of Morristown (hereinafter called the Authority), in the

**BIDS**  
up to \$200,000

County of Morris, State of New Jersey, at the Administrative Office of the Authority, located at 31 Early Street, Morristown, New Jersey, on September 9, 1993, at 10:00 a.m. prevailing time. The Authority reserves the right to waive any informalities in bids and to reject any and all bids if it is in the best interest of the Authority to do so. A pre-bid meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on August 12, 1993, at Authority's Administrative

Bids must be accompanied by a certified check or Bid Bond in the following amounts:

BIDS	AMOUNT
up to \$200,000	10%
\$200,000-\$400,000	\$20,000
over \$400,000	5%

Bids must be accompanied by consent surety regardless of whether a check or Bid Bond is submitted. All bonds and consents of surety must be written by surety companies listed in the most recent Circular No. 570, United States Department of the Treasury.

The Contact Documents are on file and may be examined at the Administrative Offices of the Authority. Copies of the Contract Documents may also be obtained at said offices upon payment by check or bank draft in the amount of \$50.00 payable to the "Morristown Housing Authority." For each set, **Documents will not be mailed.**

The Successful Bidder will be required to furnish an acceptable Performance and Labor and Material Payment Bond, written by a surety listed in the most recent Circular No. 570, United States Department of the Treasury, as the Authority may

All Bidders must be authorized to do business in New Jersey. Any bidder which is a corporation not chartered under the laws of the State of New Jersey, must submit an affidavit certifying that said corporation is authorized to do business in the State

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of Public Law 1975, c. 127 which pertains to "Non-Discrimination" and "Affirmative Action" and Public Law 1977, c. 33, which requires a Statement of Corporate Ownership.

9/10/94  
LAWRENCE A. JACKSON  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
MORRISTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY

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**COMCAST** The Town of Harrison announces the acceptance of applications for recreation aides, seasonals, non-competitive, less than 20 hours

Comcast Cablevision seeks qualified Customer Service Representative. Knowledgeable, personable, per week, ages 18-45, in good health, \$10.00 per hour. Applications may be obtained from the Harrison Town Hall, 318 Harrison Ave., Harrison, N. J., beginning August 8-12, 1994 and August

edge of Cable Data and Cable Industry a plus. Must have excellent phone skills.

**CSR AD FOR JOB OPENING**

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE-  
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## Jackson calls for direct action against media

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tainment industries is the goal. The pattern of lack of support for these programs indicate a lack of sensitivity and commitment to the community by the television industry.

"We will bring together a broad cross section of allies to mobilize forces for direct action on the television industry," Rev. Jackson said. "Our demand is a reasonable American expectation—recruitment, training, employment, promotion, programming, decision-making and business opportunities. We who have been locked out want to be affirmed."

"The television industry must take vigorous steps to remove the vestiges of apartheid from its own house," said Rev. Jackson. "In 1994,

it is almost inconceivable that minority writers receive only 3.9 percent of writing assignments in television. Is it that the experiences of African Americans, Latinos, Asian/



Pacific Americans and Native Americans are of so little interest to the public. Or is it a case of gross insensitivity to building racial harmony in our multi-cultural society that such disparity exists?" Jackson added.

The Commission on Fairness in the Media has compiled the following statistics based on studies conducted by the Screen Actors Guild, the Writers Guild of America West, and the Directors Guild.

People of color were only 13% of the characters portrayed out of 19,645 speaking parts in 1,371 TV shows broadcast from 1981 to 1991. Minorities are 30% of the U.S. population.

African Americans were only 5% of those portrayed as executives or professionals in 620 TV shows that ran

from 1955 to 1987. Latinos were 1% of executives and professional portrayed.

African Americans appear on the news as criminals twice as often as other groups.

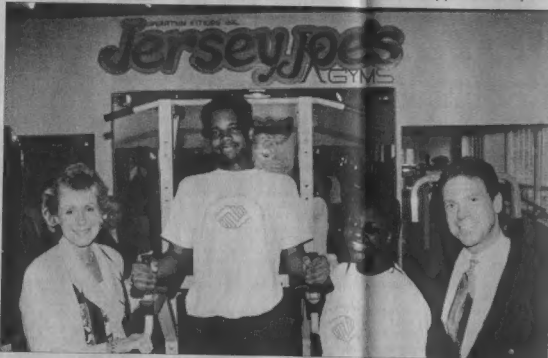
The Directors Guild of America reported in June, 1994, that minority directors received only 4% of the directing assignments in 1993. Minority and production managers only received 2% of those assignments.

"The lack of progress on so many fronts—access to programming, one-dimensional depictions or invisibility on television, lack of hiring and promotion among other issues—creates a situation where boycotts are inevitable," said Rev. "We can no longer sit back and watch television contribute to a more racially polarized society."



HILLSIDE—American Sewing Guild members Jackie Robinson of Plainfield, left, a professional seamstress and designer, and sewing educator Vandra Robbins of Orange will present free seminars every Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. at Fabric Land in North Plainfield during the month of August. The programs will cover pattern fit and alterations, selecting fabrics, trims and notions and adding the finishing "designer details" to your sewing projects. For more information, call Fabric Land at 908-755-4700 or write the American Sewing Guild, 531 Purce Street, Hillside, New Jersey 07205.

**NEWARK**—NatWest Bank has contributed \$7,000 to purchase new weight training equipment for Jersey Joe's Gym at the North Ward Boys' and Girls' Club in Newark. The gym was the brainchild of Actor/comedian Joe Piscopo, a Bloomfield native, who hopes that teens will have some place to go to "pump up their minds as well as their bodies." In the photo, NatWest Executive Vice President Susan Rau, who heads the bank's Private Clients and Investment Management Group, and Joe Piscopo appear with Jermaine Gamble and Ambal Parrish, both of Newark, who test out some of the gym's apparatus. Also contributing funds was the Amellor Foundation. Mr. Piscopo hopes to expand the weight training pilot project nationally through Boys and Girls Clubs of America.



## Jersey City Schools

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is able and willing to meet all State standards within a set period of time.

The commissioner also announced that his department will be searching for a new superintendent for Jersey City. Presently, it is under the directions of Frank N. Sinatra, the retired Perth Amboy superintendent.

The State is also considering taking over the Newark school system, the largest district in the state. Recently, the Newark Board of Education met with the City Council to plan strategies which include public input on the increasing possibility of a state takeover. The group plans to start a mail drive and participate in public hearings in each ward. They will also print flyers calling for "community alert." The City Clerk's office is expected to pay for printing and distribution of the pamphlets.

## Health care reform

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brandishing a sign which read, "controlled health care is communism."

A Jersey City Clinton supporter who asked to remain anonymous shouted at hecklers and told them that they did not know what was going on. "The President is trying to do something for poor workers. They should at least give him the courtesy of hearing what he has to say," he said.

Pro-lifers and pro-choicers also made an appearance.

## Gomez

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She became president of the college in 1989. Prior, Gomez had been Dean of Arts and Sciences at Lock Haven University in Pennsylvania, and director of Academic Programs at the Massachusetts Board of Regents of Higher Education and was on faculty and chair at the University of Puerto Rico.

Last November, Gomez was criticized by some public and private officials for not refuting supposed inflammatory remarks made by Nation of Islam leader Muhammad. The incident brought the college national prominence as a hot bed for discussions on free speech. In his speech, Muhammad made strong remarks against many groups specifically referring to Jews as "blood suckers" of the black community and referred to the Pope as a "no good cracker."

NOI leader, Minister Louis Farrakhan suspended Muhammad stating that his speech was not consistent with the proper representation of the Honorable Elijah Mohammed's teachings and guidance.

The lecture was dubbed racist by the Anti-Defamation League and was condemned by several groups including The Congressional Black Caucus, United Negro College Fund, NAACP, Jesse Jackson and Vice President Al Gore.

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